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Dear Bob,

Thanks for the nice letter.

One ofxthe things I had hoped is that AP people would do something about the deliberate and designed dishonesty of the Gawzer-Moody opus. It is so rotten you'd not believe it, nor would any newsmen. I'd hoped to be able to speak to your owner and offer him a few evidences. When the AP makes itself an agency of government it converts ax major part of the press of all media to this end that can never be right in a society such as hours and destroys the honesty and integrity of all newsmen and media involved. Or are these the wrong ~~kind of~~ words to use these years.

Aside from the damage done individuals, like me, which can never be remedied, what does this do to our country, its present and future? Will I ever be able to reach a thousandth of those who have been lied to about me, who have had misquoted testimony cited as proof of my dishonesty? Can the people ever learn the truth about anything if AP is this way? They, of course, will not accept any challenge of a confrontation on fact, have declined my challenge. Why should they accept and have their harlotry exposed? What they did, if you knew the fact, cannot be accidental. How much of it, in turn, influences people like you who also have to make decisions on what to do with their available time and space? Have you any way of knowing that they did lie, did distort and misrepresent, that all that glibness seemingly coming from the evidence is fakery?

I doubt very much if any except a few people have the remotest idea of what was done in their names, with their money, to their audiences in their names, or that many would believe it until they see it, which AP can and will prevent. I want you to know that what I started to say and will when I can say about AP is not a matterxof opinion but one entirely of fact. When I can find a few minutes to spare I am getting it all down on paper. I hate to think of the kind of people Ix met in Cincinnati being part of such corruption, even if innocently and involuntarily.

Complicating this is what TV did. You will eventually learn the magnitudeof of their sin and departure from respectable journalistic pursuits. They tried to plant bad information with Garrison through xx me. I have it on tape. Two men have been charged, and it will go to court. If it makes you personally feel any better, CBS ranks no higher, except is polish.

Why I do not know but the motel sent me the enclosed bill.

My best to all of you. I would like to know if Dell ever supplied the copies of the first book.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg